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Attorney General McGraw Names Beckley's Ron Booker To Citizen's Advisory Committee

CHARLESTON - Citing his extensive and decorated experience in criminal justice and involvement in community service, West Virginia Attorney General Darrell McGraw has chosen Ron Booker of Beckley for his Citizens Advisory Committee.

"I am pleased to be appointed to Attorney General McGraw's Citizens Advisory Committee," says Mr. Booker, a law enforcement veteran. "I have been in government service for 27 years and appreciate the opportunity to continue serving the citizens of West Virginia."

Created by McGraw in 2007, the Citizens Advisory Committee reaches out to communities throughout the state as part of the Attorney General's effort to provide personalized access to consumer protection resources for all West Virginians. It offers consumers with questions and complaints the opportunity for direct contact with a representative of the Attorney General's Office. McGraw is the newest of the committee's 35 Citizen Advisors.

"Opening channels of communication through our Consumer Advisors is one of the most effective tools that my office uses in educating consumers," Attorney General McGraw said. "It enables our citizens to make smarter choices and reduces unnecessary litigation."

After graduating from Fayetteville High School in 1983, Mr. Booker attended Marshall University and received his bachelor's degree from Bluefield State College. His criminal justice and forensic studies continued at the FBI National Academy and the DEA's Drug Unit Commanders Academy. He received a Masters Degree from Mountain State University in 2008.

Mr. Booker was commander of the TRIDENT Drug Task Force from 1990 until retiring last year. He previously served as a Task Force Officer for the DEA, a criminal investigator for the Raleigh County Sheriff's Office and the West Virginia State Police, and patrolman in Oak Hill. A Drill Sergeant for United States Army Reserves since 1990, Booker has received several awards recognizing his service and dedication to his work with the Department of Justice, Heart of God Ministries, and the American Red Cross.

To contact the Citizen Advisory Committee member, a Field Representative, or Consumer Advocate in your area call Denise Tucker, Director of Field Services for the Office of the West Virginia Attorney General, at 304-558-2021.